

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2006-188-C - ORDER NO. 2006-428
JULY 24, 2006

IN RE: Request of BellSouth Telecommunications,) ORDER
Inc. for Confidentiality Treatment of a) GRANTING
Notification of a Service Interruption Affecting) CONFIDENTIALITY
the Camden Areas and the Charleston West-)
Ashley Areas)

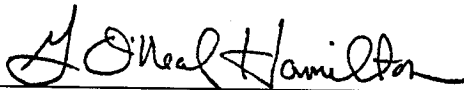
This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth or the Company) for proprietary and confidential treatment of information regarding service interruptions involving the Company's Charleston-West Ashley and Camden areas.

BellSouth points out that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) affords proprietary and confidential treatment to such information, pursuant to FCC Order No. 04-188 in ET Docket No. 04-35 (August 19, 2004). That Order states that "disclosure of outage reporting information to the public could present an unacceptable risk of more effective terrorist activity." Id. at paragraph 3.

We agree with the FCC position on this matter, and therefore hold that the information filed with this Commission regarding service interruptions involving the Company's Charleston-West Ashley and Camden areas shall be treated as proprietary and confidential.

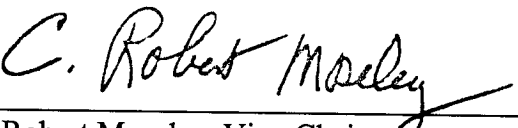
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:



C. Robert Moseley, Vice-Chairman

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